UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
	21 MC 100 (AKH)
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER	
DISASTER SITE LITIGATION	
	DOCKET NO.
SHARON BENSON, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE	
OF THE ESTATE OF SAMMIE BENSON, AND SHARON	
BENSON INDIVIDUALLY	
	CHECK-OFF ("SHORT FORM")
Plaintiffs,	COMPLAINT
Tuminis,	RELATED TO THE
	MASTER COMPLAINT
- against -	
ugumst	PLAINTIFF(S) DEMAND A TRIAL BY
A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL.,	JURY
THOUSE WILLEMING, ET. TIE.,	UCILI
SEE ATTACHED RIDER.	

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By Order of the Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein, United States District Judge, dated June 22, 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master Complaints for all Plaintiffs were filed on August 18, 2006.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

All headings and paragraphs in the Master Complaint are applicable to and are adopted by the instant Paintiff(s) as if fully set forth herein in addition to those paragraphs specific to the individual Plaintiff(s), which are listed below. These are marked with an ' \checkmark " if applicable to the instant Plaintiff(s), and specific case information is set forth, as needed, below.

Plaintiffs, SHARON BENSON, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF SAMMIE BENSON, AND SHARON BENSON INDIVIDUALLY, by his/her/their attorneys WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, complaining of Defendant(s), respectfully allege:

I. PARTIES

A. PLAINTIFF(S)

1.	☑ Plaintiff, SAMMIE BENSON (hereinafter the "Injured Plaintiff"), is an individual and
a citizen of _	residing at
	(OR)
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2. Alternatively, ✓ SHARON BENSON is the Personal Representative of Decedent SAMMIE BENSON, and brings this claim in his (her) capacity as Personal Representative of the Estate of SAMMIE BENSON.

Carolina residing at 2255 Stadium road, Sumter, SC Injured Plaintiff: SPOUSE at all relevant times In SAMMIE BENSON, and bring injuries sustained by her husbath Parent □ Child □ Compared to the compared t	Ifter the "Derivative Plaintiff"), is a citizen of South 29154-, and has the following relationship to the nerein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff gs this derivative action for her (his) loss due to the nd (his wife), Plaintiff SAMMIE BENSON. Other:	
Please be as specific as possible when fi	lling in the following dates and locations	
☐ The World Trade Center Site Location(s) (<i>i.e.</i> , building, quadrant, etc.) From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for	The Barge From on or about; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.	
Approximately days total. The New York City Medical Examiner's Office From on or about until, Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.	Other:* For injured plaintiffs who worked at Non-WTC Site building or location. The injured plaintiff worked at the address/location, for the dates alleged, for the hours per day, for the total days, and for the employer, as specified below:	
☐ The Fresh Kills Landfill From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.	From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:	
"Other" locations, please annex a separa	per if necessary. If more space is needed to specify ate sheet of paper with the information.	
above; Was exposed to and inhaled or dates at the site(s) indicated above;	noxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated ringested toxic substances and particulates on all or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates at	
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6.

Injure	ed Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to $$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $$40101$, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☐ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
☐ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on and	☑ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
	☑ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
☐ pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	INC.
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	☑ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
\Box The City has yet to hold a hearing as	☑ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
required by General Municipal Law §50-h	HAULING, LLC, INC.
\square More than thirty days have passed and	☑ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
the City has not adjusted the claim	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
(OR)	CORPORATION
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	INC.
Claim <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i>) has been filed and a	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
determination	CORP
\square is pending	\square BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
☐ Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
☐ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	☑ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	☑ BURO HAPPOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
☐ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C.
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☑ CANRON CONSTRUCTION CORP
York on	☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
☐ More than sixty days have elapsed since	NEW YORK, INC.
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC ☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has	☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANT INC. ☐ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH
adjusted this claim	☑ DAROTA DEMO-TECH ☑ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIAMOND FORT EXCAVATING CORT
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC. ☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC.
=======================================	☑ DATE ENTERPRISE, INC.
☐ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
□ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	CORP
☐ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
□ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
☐ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☐ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
☐ 4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EJ DAVIES, INC.
☐ 5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EN-TECH CORP
□ 5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	□ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	□Evans Environmental

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☑ SEASONS INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTING

☐ OTHER:

☑ ZIEGENFUSS DRILLING, INC.

☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
☐ Non-WTC Site Lessee	· ·
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

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The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:

Stabil		Jurisd ut the	iction, (or); Other (specify): Court has already determined that it has
remov	removal jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441.		
	III CAUSES	S OF	ACTION
of lial			d defendants based upon the following theories a such a claim under the applicable substantive
V	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	V	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation
V	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		 ✓ Air Quality; ✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided; ☐ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:); ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined
	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e	V	Wrongful Death
		V	Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff

Other: _

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1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

V	Cancer Injury: <u>Lung Cancer</u> Date of onset: <u>1/20/2006</u> Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: <u>To be supplied at a later date</u>			Cardiovascular Injury: N/A. Date of onset: Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:
V	Respiratory Injury: Pneumonia Date of onset: To be supplied at a later date Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date		V	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 1/20/2006 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A. Date of onset: Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:		7	Other Injury: N/A. Date of onset: Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:
	NOTE: The foregoing is NOT an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.			

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1" above the

	Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:		
✓	Pain and suffering		
\checkmark	Loss of the enjoyment of life		
V	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity		
▽	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of retirement benefits Expenses for medical care, treatment, and rehabilitation		
✓	Other: ☑ Mental anguish ☑ Disability ☑ Medical monitoring ☑ Other: Not yet determined		

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

Plaintiff(s) demands that all issues of fact in this case be tried before a properly empanelled jury.

Dated: New York, New York January 3, 2008

Yours, etc.,

Worby, Groner Edelman & Napoli Bern, LLP

Attorneys for Plaintiff(s), Sharon Benson, as Personal Representative of the estate of Sammie Benson, and Sharon Benson Individually

By: _____

Christopher R. LoPalo (CL 6466) 115 Broadway 12th Floor New York, New York 10006

Phone: (212) 267-3700

ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of

perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the

plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other

than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief

are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the

file.

DATED: New York, New York

January 3, 2008

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

Docket No: UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK SHARON BENSON, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF SAMMIE BENSON, Plaintiff(s) - against -A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL., Defendant(s). SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP Attorneys for: Plaintiff(s) Office and Post Office Address, Telephone 115 Broadway - 12th Floor New York, New York 10006 (212) 267-3700 To Attorney(s) for Service of a copy of the within is hereby admitted. Dated, Attorney(s) for PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: \square NOTICE OF ENTRY that the within is a (certified) true copy of an duly entered in the office of the clerk of the within named court on □ NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT that an order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the HON. one of the judges of the within named Court, at 20 at Μ. Dated,

WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP

Yours, etc.,